(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what is the Government of India's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (c) While considering India's initial Report under Article 40 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights certain clarifications were sought by some members of the Human Rights Committee at its 21st Session on March 27 and 30, 1984. Similarly, clarifications were requested by some members of the Sessional Working Group of Governmental Experts of ECOSOC while considering on 18 and 20 April, 1984 India's report covering Article 10 to 12 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights.

The clarifications requested were provided by the respective Indian representatives during the course of the above meetings. Both the reports submitted by India and the presentations and clarifications provided by the Indian delegations drew high praise and compliments from members of the Human Rights Committee and the Sessional Working Group of Governmental Experts respectively.

Census operation in Assam

2192. SHRI JASWANT SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) when the last census operation was held in Assam; and

(b) by when Government propose to hold census in this State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) The last census operations were held in Assam in the year 1971.

(b) At this stage, it is not possible to indicate when the census operations will be held in this State.

Insat 1-B based Data centres

2193. SHRI JASWANT SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether any decision has been taken for setting up of data centres to analyse and disseminate information received from INSAT 1-B?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, ATOMIC ENERGY, SPACE, ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): For processing, utilisation and dissemination of the INSAT-1 Very High Resolution Radiometer (VHRR) meteorological imagery and Data Collection Platform (DCP) data, a Meteorological Data Utilisation Centre (MDUC) has been established in Delhi by the India Meteorological Department in 1982 and is in operation with INSAT-1B. Twelve out of the twenty Secondary Data Utilisation Centres (SDUCs) to be established in a phased manner for reception and utilisation of MDUC-processed VHRR imagery data, are also receiving processed VHRR imageries from MDUC.

Per capita expenditure of Rural and Urban Populations

2194. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether out of a total rural population of 525 crores, nearly 91.5 per cent and 75 per cent of the 16 crore urban population have per capita expenditure of less than Rs. 100 a month according to the National Sample Survey;

(b) whether according to the Task Force on the Sixth Plan, the monthly per capita consumption expenditure of Rs. 104 for rural and of Rs. 113